

Gets \$25.00 For His Houn' Dog

Hooverizing If It Takes All Summer
—Holding Sack Now More Unpopular Than Ever.

The elevator at Warrenton is demanding the return of its wheat sacks, due to a shortage. It has been well said that that is making holding the sack more unpopular than ever.

Y-e-s, it used to be said of a young man when he became 21, "He's old enough to vote," but now they put it, "He's old enough to register."

Sunny Jim in the Butler Times says, "I'll Hooverize it out on this line if it takes all summer."

The Liberty Tribune advertises a "tip top Ford for sale." A mischievous exchange remarks that the best of them tip enough. Why should any one buy one that is admittedly of that kind.

The Centralia Guard says: J. B. Botkin of Mexico, a brother of L. Botkin of this place, has just returned to his home in the former place after having been operated upon at St. Luke's Hospital in St. Louis. At the over 70 years of age, Mr. Botkin stood the operation well and is now almost recovered and, we hope, good for many more years of good health and happiness.

The Richmond Missourian is skeptical about the disposition of the strawberries that Missouri girls pick. "If they like strawberries as well as the rest of us in this locality many quarts of those Ozark delicacies will turn into Missouri peaches."

The Centralia Courier recites that Butler B. Brown of Sturgeon, well known in Centralia, was here Friday en route home from court in Columbia where he had been in connection with his fox dog damage suit, the facts of which will be remembered were that Mr. Brown sued W. J. Zeigler for \$50 damages for killing one of his fox hounds on December 21st and Mr. Zeigler in turn filing a motion against Brown asking that he be compelled to file security for costs as he was insolvent and owned so many hounds costs could not be collected. The case created considerable excitement as both parties are well known and Mr. Brown being constable of Bourbon township. The plaintiff's son testified that he saw the hound on the defendant's premises, and that he appeared to be trailing something; he saw the defendant come out of his house with a gun and deliberately shoot the dog. Defendant denied killing the dog, but testified that he heard three or four shots fired and that the dog afterwards ran thru his yard, and that there had been some boys on his place hunting muskrats. After hearing the evidence and arguments the jury returned a verdict of \$25 damages for Mr. Brown and assessed the costs against Mr. Zeigler. In conversation with the Courier man Mr. Brown said that when the motion was filed about him not being able to pay costs he was "fired" a little as he has always paid 100 cents on every dollar debt but to show his standing in the community immediately filed a bond for costs good for at least \$200.00 and could have made it more if necessary. He said that he owned 15 fox hounds, his hobby being dogs, and he was proud of the fact that he was the largest dog tax payer in the county, his license totaling \$12.50 this year.

Don't ride your auto madly and forget that there may be other drivers besides you and yours—then, too, you might crash into a railroad train.

South Missouri, according to A. S. Houston, is loyal to the Government even if her populace, generally, does not live in palaces.

FOLLY TO SEND MEN ABROAD IF ALLIES ARE NOT SUPPLIED

MORALE OF CIVILIAN POPULATION MUST BE MAINTAINED
IF WAR IS TO BE WON.

EUROPE NOW SHORT OF FOOD

Dairy Industry Has Been Hardest Hit
of Any in Countries Overrun by Huns.

It is worse than folly to put 5,000,000 of our soldiers in France if the civilian populations of the Allies are not also to be maintained in strength and morale with our food, Herbert Hoover said recently in a communication to F. B. Mumford, Federal Food Administrator for Missouri. All Europe is now short of food, he added, in telling of conditions in the war-stricken countries overrun by Germany.

"If you could stand in the middle of Germany today and survey the land to the borders of Europe you would discover its whole population of 400 million human beings short of food," said Mr. Hoover. "Where Germany has overrun the borders, millions of people in Poland, Finland, Serbia, Armenia and Russia are actually dying of starvation and other millions are suffering from under-nutrition. Still others of these millions outside the German lines—that is, the Allies and neutrals—are living on the barest margins that will support life and strength."

"This, the most appalling and dreadful thing that has come to humanity since the dawn of civilization, is to me the outstanding creation of German militarism, yet the Germans themselves are not the worst sufferers. They are extorting at the cannon's mouth the harvests and cattle of the people they have overrun, leaving them in desolation."

"I am convinced that if the war were to cease tomorrow the toll of actual dead from starvation and its attendant diseases within the German lines would double or treble the 5,000,000 or 6,000,000 men who have been actually killed by Germany and her allies in arms. The 10,000,000 people in occupied Belgium and Northern France would have died of starvation had it not been for the action of the nations at war with Germany in the maintenance for these people of a pitiable relief. But this is only one part of the whole story of misery, for the sinking of the world's shipping is reverberating privation in some direction into every corner of the globe."

Dairy Industry Hardest Hit.
"Of all the food industries of Europe, there is none which has been stricken by the war as the dairy produce. The human race through scores of thousands of years has developed a total dependence upon cattle for the rearing of its young. No greater catastrophe can happen to a people than the loss of its dairy herds, for the total loss of dairy produce means the ultimate extinction of a people."

"The German people supported their herds by the import of feedstuffs from their neighbors. This being cut off by war, their produce in meat and milk would have fallen to a low ebb indeed had they not supported themselves to a considerable degree by stealing the cattle of the populations they have overrun. I have had Polish and Serbian cattle in German pastures pointed out to me with pride by German officers. I witnessed for years the stealing of Belgian and French cattle. In Belgium alone the herds diminished from 1,800,000 to 700,000 in three months of German occupation."

Condensed Milk Sent Across.

"One of the first duties of the Relief Commission was to undertake the import of milk in order that these children might be saved. We found that in the terror under which these people lived the average period of breast feeding was fewer than four months. We have, therefore, for nearly four years been sending them American condensed milk, not in single cans, but by scores of thousands of tons. There has been scarcely a child born in the North of France, and many in Belgium, whose continued life has not been dependent during all this period upon American condensed milk. Every American would be thrilled could he but see the gratitude which French mothers daily express over the pitiable ration which enables their children to survive. This stealing of neighboring cattle by Germany will now, with Russia at her mercy, go on with an accelerated pace. Do not let us deceive ourselves that any shortage of her own cattle will bring the war to an end."

"All this is an exhibit of the character of forces from which we are struggling to purge the world. To do this, therefore, we must concern ourselves daily with the food situation in the Allied countries. Our obligations to them are not only as a matter of humanity but as a matter of their maintenance in our common struggle. It is worse than folly to put 5,000,000 of our boys into France if the civilian population of the Allies are not also to be maintained in strength and morale with our food. We are also interested in the neutral countries from the point of common humanity."

THE PROMISING HARVESTS WOOL SELLING AT 55 CENTS

Gatewood Farm Club Buys Coal—
Children's Day At Sunrise—Autos
Turtle.

Skinner, Mo., June 3.—Our farmers, at least a part of the time, plowed corn last week. Much of the corn needs it, too. Some of the corn not yet planted four weeks is nearly a knee high.

The rains of the past few days have been fine; came at such an opportune time, filling the ponds and making the grass, wheat, corn and oats jump heavenward with a leap and bound. The Master is good to us, sending the sunshine along with the rain and warmth, to make vegetation glitter.

John W. Blum had a nice load of thousand pound cattle on the National last Monday good enough to bring around \$16 per cwt., also a load of Western shorn lambs good enough to bring the top or around \$16 to \$17.50 per cwt.

H. T. Spurling had on the National market last week several loads of Western shorn lambs that brought from \$16.05 to \$16.40 per cwt.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Neale have been sick the past week. The measles left them in kind of a bad shape in the spring and these consequent illnesses are the results of these attacks.

Gatewood District gave something over \$100 to the Second Red Cross Fund. Miss Margaret Wilfley and Mesdames Etta Blum and Chas. Meyers were the solicitors.

Misses Ruth Ellis and Hazel Holloway are home for the summer vacation from Hardin College. They with Miss Mildred Ellis will attend William Woods College next term.

Our farmers are realizing at from 55 cents to 65 cents a pound for their wool this season. The fleeces weigh exceedingly heavy this time. After all perhaps those who fed sheep and lambs in these parts may play even by getting pay for their feed they put in them. Throwing in the work, I don't think hardly a red cent was put in their coffers.

Mrs. H. R. Day improves very slowly.

The wheat at present looks fine; bids fair to make a good yield. The oats and corn are promising their part to help feed the world.

The Red Cross continues to meet at the Ladies' Hall every Wednesday evening. The Red Cross is certainly doing a fine work as an auxiliary to the Army and Navy.

Misses Mabel and Ruth Cook depart this week for the summer school at Missouri University.

Eat another spud a day. Save a grain of wheat. Help to make the Allies play good game when they and the Huns meet. Plenty of spuds, no potatoless days, but how soon we have complete wheatless days no one knows. We are in the war to win, so catch the spirit at once, put on your girdle tight, throw in your little mite with all the agility you have at your command.

Do not deceive, or even attempt it. God is not mocked. Deception in the sight of God is as great a sin as any other. It robs you somewhat of your beautifulness of character. It detracts. Not only that, but come to think of it, wouldn't it be wise to be classed with the more hideous sins and vices as man depicts them? Your fellowman can easily see this sin in you and oftentimes stands in wonder and amusement at your thoughtlessness of trying to be two-faced. Honesty is the best policy, no matter in what phase of life we may tread.

Miss Sudie Winn will be the week end guest of Miss Margaret Wilfley. George Esby departed for his home in El Paso, Texas, Sunday after spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. W. T. Wilfley, and family.

"He that neglecteth his home is worse than an infidel." The home comes first, the school second, then the state, nation, and world follow in rapid succession.

Despise not the day of little things. Sure as you do, it is enough to prove you are degenerating—for, as you

know, "little drops of water, little grains of sand; help to fill the ocean and form the mighty land."

Gatewood Farm Club thru its secretary, P. T. Bruce, made order ten days ago for a ton of twine. The twine is in the hands of our farmers. Also at same time an order for 125 tons of coal, or 3 carloads, was placed for this month delivered at Thompson, Mo.

Lieut. Gov. Wallace Crossly is attempting to place an agent at Thompson for the placement of coal. He has offered the place to Elmer Gatewood, who was our former secretary. Gatewood is trying to shove it off onto his less fortunate brother clubman. It appears he can't see his way to move to town, Thompson, just yet.

Sunrise people are planning for an all day meeting on 4th Sunday. Annual Children's Day—program under management of Misses Mildred Cook and Beasie Day. A genuine war dinner will be spread, portraying the culinary art of the ladies.

The true smile plays smoothly upon the face, depicting the real inner resources of mind and heart. The latchstring of the honest smile, hangs on the outside and bids the caller welcome into the great reservoir whence it cometh. Keep the heart smiling all the while.

Among those who purchased cars are, Overland 6's, O.T. Hanley and C. F. Myers; Fords, Henry Dean and Roy Bruce; Nash's, James Chapman Buick, C. R. Spurling. Several accidents with cars lately. Sunday two Fords turtled, knocking off top and windshield, no one hurt. They were Fred Greenburg and Frank Cauthorn. Harry Day tried to knock out of the road a concrete culvert while the road was slick. The culvert's still there and Harry's car in the repair shop, both frames broken into.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Neal of St. Louis are here for a fortnight guests their parents, Mrs. Jno. Neal and J. T. Baker and families.

JOE GREY OF FARBER WINS RED CROSS SHOOT

Joe Gray of Farber, a champion shooter, was the highest scorer at the Red Cross shoot of the Aurdain Gun Club Friday afternoon at the fair grounds. In the first round, Grey shot twenty out of twenty-five, in the second his score was twenty-four, and in the third he broke twenty out of twenty-five. Clarence A. Barnes was a close second with the score 22-22-18. R. R. Aruold also ranked high.

The prizes were announced as they were won, but each was automatically returned to be auctioned for the benefit of the Red Cross. A large number of prizes were contributed by Mexico business men.

The score of the fifteen out of twenty-five and above follow:

C. A. Barnes, 22-22-18.
Stayley, Bowling Green, 20-16.
Grey, Farber, 20-24-20.
Les Lawder, 21.
Pearl Hamilton, 25.
McKey, 17-19.
Ross Wagner, 15-16.
McCarty, St. Louis, 16.
Gallagher, 15.
Tonkon, 15.
Jolly, 15-15.
Philip Meyer, 19-21.
R. R. Aroid, 22-19.
J. O. Roberts, 17-21.
J. C. Jackson, 16-18.
Frank Kellerhals, 17-15.
Head, 22.
A. Badley, 16.
Woodbridge, 15.

Les Lawder was elected Field Captain at a meeting of the Gun Club at the Chamber of Commerce Friday evening. A shooting committee was appointed and a constitution and by-laws were selected. It was decided that in the future fifty targets shall be trapped for one cent each and all over fifty shall be trapped at two cents apiece. All targets at irregular shoots will be valued at two cents.

The shooting committee appointed is composed of: Lewis McKee, J. O. Roberts, R. A. Bradley, and Joe Grey.

Summer's Coming Again

Realizing that in these strenuous days, when the air is charged with anxiety and fear, our hours of rest are shortened and our nerve-shattered bodies are being spurred on to do bigger things, it is more than ever imperative to shut off steam, tone up and overhaul the human machine if we are to keep physically fit and mentally well-balanced. Thousands of folks are already building air castles and picturing in their dreams the good times they are going to have on their health—rest—pleasure trip this summer. . . . How about you? Name it and it's yours—the very kind of a vacation you want—and your choice of scenic Colorado, the National Parks, Big Horn Mountains, Buffalo Bill Country, Black Hills, Salt Lake City, North Pacific Coast, California—anywhere West.

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SANTA FE LETTER.
Santa Fe, Mo., May 29.—The community was saddened when Mrs. Jim Bates passed away. The husband and three children survive her. She was buried Sunday evening.

Moss Crow bought 200 goats at Kansas City. He has since sold them at \$4.00 a head. He will get another drove.

J. R. Smiley bought about 100 cows at Kansas City last week.

Lightning killed live stock during the week. L. Hickman lost a horse. Pokee's a pair of mules and another man 11 sheep.

Misses Annie and Flossie Harrison are to take the final examinations as Red Cross nurses in the near future.

Dick and Pete Bishop, Craig Carter, Carl Smithey and Clarence Matanda left Monday with Monroe county's quota of 51 soldier boys.

Bud Hughes gave a dance Friday night and Frank Elliott Saturday night.

O. T. Howard and family, Loyd Howard and wife spent the day with L. G. Howard Sunday.

Misses Clemma and Fay Sisdow are home from Tulsa, Okla. where they taught in the public schools.

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